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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:PBOR, MOPS, MILI, LE, US, IS, PLO

SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON

REF: BEIRUT 4722

1. FOR CHARGE VIETS: THIS WILL CONFIRM THAT YOU WILL  
IMMEDIATELY PASS TO BEGIN THE PROPOSED PROCEDURES OUTLINED  
BEIRUT 4722, PARA 2.

2. YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE THE DESIRABILITY OF AVOIDING  
ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE WITHDRAWAL AND CEASEFIRE. IF THE  
ISRAELIS INDICATE TO YOU, HOWEVER, THAT SOME EXPLANATION  
WILL HAVE TO BE GIVEN TO THE PRESS, WE URGE THAT ANY BACK-  
GROUNDING CAREFULLY AVOID LEAVING THE IMPRESSION OF AN  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND LEBANON. WE URGE THAT

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ANY SUCH EXPLANATION BE CAST IN THE FOLLOWING TERMS: A  
CEASEFIRE HAS BEEN WORKED OUT (BEGIN OPTIONAL) WITH THE  
HELP OF THE UNITED STATES. ISRAEL WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH  
THE CEASEFIRE AS LONG AS IT IS OBSERVED BY ALL CONCERNED.

3. FOR AMBASSADOR PARKER: YOU SHOULD CONFIRM TO BOUTROS  
THAT PROCEDURE OUTLINED PARA 2 OF REFTTEL HAS BEEN PASSED

TO ISRAELIS AND THAT THEY WILL BE HAVING SPECIAL MEETING  
OF CABINET SECURITY COMMITTEE AT 1900 HOURS TODAY, AFTER

WHICH WE EXPECT TO BE IN POSITION TO CONVEY ISRAELI  
RESPONSE. VIETS WILL BE REPORTING HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH  
ISRAELIS ON ARRANGING WITHDRAWAL AND CEASEFIRE, AND  
FYI: REPEAT FYI: INDICATIONS ARE HOPEFUL. YOU SHOULD  
NOT REPEAT NOT, HOWEVER, CONVEY ANY INFORMATION ABOUT  
SUBSTANCE OF VIETS' DISCUSSIONS WITH ISRAELIS TO LEBANESE  
UNTIL AFTER WE HAVE CONFIRMATION OF THEIR POSITION  
FOLLOWING CABINET SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING. WE WANT TO  
WAIT UNTIL WE ARE ABSOLUTELY SURE EVERYTHING HAS BEEN  
PINNED DOWN WITH ISRAELIS BEFORE CONVEYING IT TO  
LEBANESE.

4. TO SAVE TRANSMISSION TIME, CAPTION ALL CABLES DEALING  
WITH TIMING OF ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL AND SIMILARLY LESS  
SE IVE ITEMS AS EXDIS TREAT AS NODIS.

5. NOTE: DAMASCUS FOR INFORMATION ONLY. VANCE

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2. YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE THE DESIRABILITY OF AVOIDING ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE WITHDRAWAL AND CEASEFIRE. IF THE ISRAELIS INDICATE TO YOU, HOWEVER, THAT SOME EXPLANATION WILL HAVE TO BE GIVEN TO THE PRESS, WE URGE THAT ANY BACK-GROUNDING CAREFULLY AVOID LEAVING THE IMPRESSION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND LEBANON. WE URGE THAT ANY SUCH EXPLANATION BE CAST IN THE FOLLOWING TERMS: A CEASEFIRE HAS BEEN WORKED OUT (BEGIN OPTIONAL) WITH THE HELP OF THE UNITED STATES. ISRAEL WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE CEASEFIRE AS LONG AS IT IS OBSERVED BY ALL CONCERNED.

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WHICH WE EXPECT TO BE IN POSITION TO CONVEY ISRAELI RESPONSE. VIETS WILL BE REPORTING HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH ISRAELIS ON ARRANGING WITHDRAWAL AND CEASEFIRE, AND FYI: REPEAT FYI: INDICATIONS ARE HOPEFUL. YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT, HOWEVER, CONVEY ANY INFORMATION ABOUT SUBSTANCE OF VIETS' DISCUSSIONS WITH ISRAELIS TO LEBANESE UNTIL AFTER WE HAVE CONFIRMATION OF THEIR POSITION FOLLOWING CABINET SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING. WE WANT TO WAIT UNTIL WE ARE ABSOLUTELY SURE EVERYTHING HAS BEEN PINNED DOWN WITH ISRAELIS BEFORE CONVEYING IT TO LEBANESE.

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